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CITY OF EL MONTE AND NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY CO-SPONSOR FREE FORECLOSURE PREVENTION WORKSHOP

El Monte, Calif. – City of El Monte Community Services Department, along with co-sponsor Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA), hosted a free Foreclosure Prevention Workshop on Saturday, January 29, 2011, to help El Monte homeowners facing foreclosure stay in their homes. The event began at 9:00 a.m. and was held at the Jack Crippen Multipurpose Senior Center.

“In these uncertain economic times it is vital that we do everything we can to help those residents facing foreclosure,” said Mayor Pro Tem Patricia A. Wallach. “This workshop has done much to help inform El Monte residents about how to stay in their homes and stay vigilant while navigating through the foreclosure process.”

“Public/private partnerships like this are essential to ensure homeowners have the information they need to keep their families in their homes,” added NLSLA Executive Director Neal Dudovitz. “NLSLA is pleased to be able to help the City in this effort.”

At the workshop, NLSLA helped homeowners learn about the foreclosure process and their rights in the process; learn about foreclosure rescue scams; evaluate their options, including loan modification and whether pursuing modification is right for them; and connected them with a HUD-certified counselor in one-on-one counseling sessions. All El Monte residents were invited to participate in this workshop.

All NLSLA services are free. NLSLA can serve clients in English, Spanish, Chinese, and other languages.

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The City of El Monte, located in Southern California, is committed to improving the quality of life for its citizens and strives to provide its community personalized service, uncompromising commitment, and individualized accountability. For information on the City of El Monte, please call 626-580-2001 or visit www.elmonteca.gov.

Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) is an El Monte-based legal aid program providing free legal assistance to the low-income residents of Los Angeles County. NLSLA serves the community in the areas of housing, consumer, community development, employment, family law, government benefits, health care, and immigration. NLSLA's Foreclosure Prevention Project is supported by the California Community Foundation's El Monte Community Building Initiative. For information on NLSLA, please contact Constance Hsiao at 626-307-364